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IN THE UNITED STATES
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

Bianchi, et al.

Serial No.: 09/704,299

Filed: November 1, 2000

Title: "Cervical Tapered Dowel"

Group Art Unit: 3732

Examiner: Pedro Philogene

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PETITION FOR A THREE (3) MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Official Communication of 02/21/03, for which a response was due 05/21/03, Applicants hereby request a three (3) month extension of time, extending the time of response to 08/21/03. Applicants enclose a check in the amount of \$930.00 to cover the fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(3).

1. Small Entity Status

Verified statement(s) claiming small entity status is(are) attached.

Small entity status has been established and is still effective.

Has not been established.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this date:

August 20, 2003

Ronald W. Philogene

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2. Extension of Time

- This is a petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

EXTENSION (Months)	FEE FOR LARGE ENTITY		FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY	
One Month		\$110.00		\$55.00
Two Months		\$410.00		\$205.00
Three Months	✓	\$930.00		\$465.00
Four Months		\$1450.00		\$725.00

If an additional Extension of Time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

Extension Fee: \$ 930.00

- An extension for _____ month(s) has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Deduction: \$

Extension Fee Due With This Request \$930.00

3. Fee for Claims

The fee for additional claims [(37 CFR 1.16(b)-(d)] has been calculated as shown below:

				SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee	Rate	Additional Fee
TOTAL		MINUS	=	X11=	\$	X22=	\$
INDEP.		MINUS	=	X40=	\$	X80=	\$
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim				+130=	\$	+260=	\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE					\$	OR	\$0

4. Method of Payment of Fees

- Attached is our check in the amount of: *BEST AVAILABLE COPY* \$ 930.00

Charge Deposit Account No. 13-0017
in the amount of:

\$

A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed.

5. Deposit Account and Refund Authorization

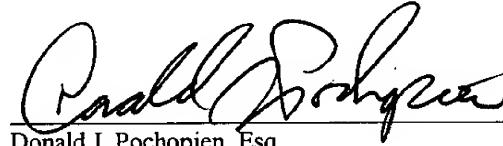
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the amount enclosed or any additional fees which may be required during the pendency of this application under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 13-0017 in the name of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Ltd. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal is enclosed.

Please refund any overpayment to McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Ltd. at the address below.

Respectfully submitted,

McANDREWS, HELD & MALLOY, LTD.
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By:


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Dated: August 20, 2003

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